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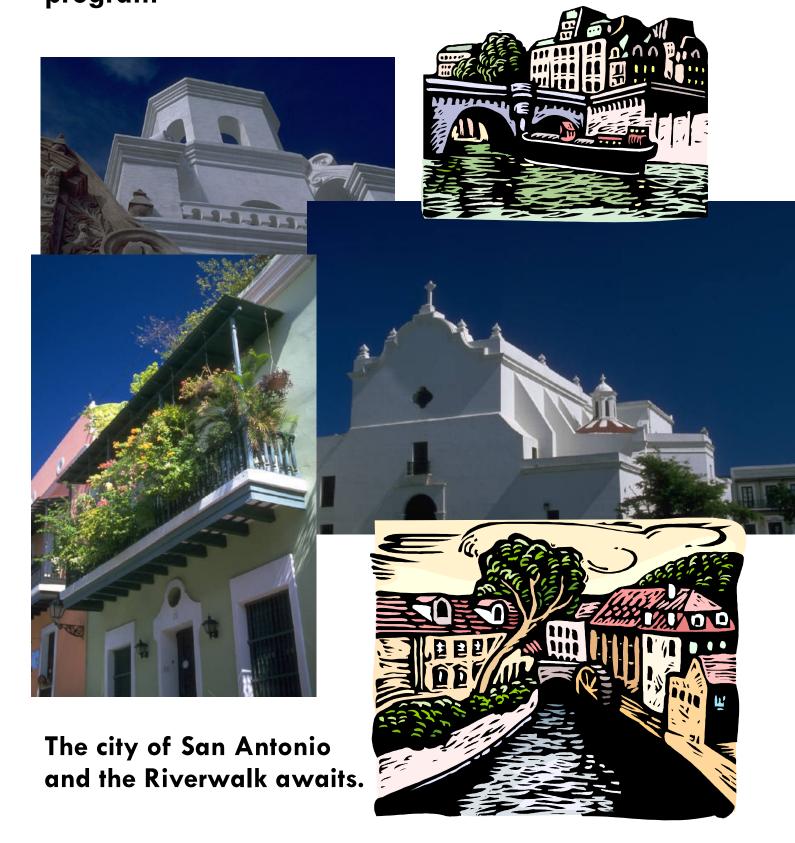




Time to Make Those Airline Reservations

Because 2006 CIEC is approaching quickly, it is imperative that all attendees make suitable plans for transportation. If you are driving, there is little concern. On the other hand, if you are planning to fly to San Antonio, you should consider making reservations for flights as quickly as possible. Travel agents are reminding travelers that the numbers of flights have been cut and flights are more than likely to be filled or overbooked if one waits too long.

CIEC comes through with new location and a great program



Examples of places from which you can easily shop within reach of the hotel:

San Antonio's world famous river walk offers 3 beautiful miles of shops, restaurants, clubs and artists.

1. Heritage Gift Shop

Heritage Gift Shop carries unique Texas gift items including a large collection of Alamo and Texas History books, maps and prints, clothing and a full line of sterling, Southwestern and Texas jewelry.

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Quality San Antonio and Texas imprinted sportswear and accessories at extremely reasonable prices **210-225-5644**

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Collectibles from English estate sales - from 1930s-is perfume atomizers to serious antique jewelry **210-228-0565**

4. River Square Antiques

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210-224-0900

5. Riverwalk Shirt Co.

Featuring every imaginable variation on the T-Shirts

210-224-5009

6. Rocky Mountain Chocolate Factory

A healthy balance to the sweet life

210-227-2626

7. Santa Fe Connection

Distinctive home furnishings, jewelry, souvenirs

210-224-5353

8. Texas Trails Gallery

Contemporary Western Fine Art

210-224-7865

9. The Reservation

A unique gallery with handicrafts & jewelry from the Southwest, museum-quality Indian pottery and more **210–227-7905**

10. The River Walk Store

A nice selection of gifts, souvenirs, tickets and other items from the members of the Paseo del Rio Association.

210-227-4262

11. Third Rock

Featuring Sporty Clothes

210-472-2492

12. Tienda Don Gato

Arts-and-crafts shop offering Oaxacan wood carvings, sterling-silver jewelry and folk art from Mexico and Guatemala **210-354-3033**

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T-Shirts, Gourmet Texas Salsa, Road Signs, Cards & Gifts, Texas Teddies, Texas Cookbooks and more **210-229-1164**

Information on the Riverwalk

Since there are a few readers who really like history - Here's some!

The Riverwalk Historic Events from 1950 to 2005

Since the early 1950s and on to the 90s, Tourists and locals alike have strolled along this amazing River and enjoy all that it has to offer, the history, wonder, beauty and pride that have made San Antonio what it is today. A marvel of nature and ingenuity, it has inspired and enriched the lives of its neighbors as well as its visitors for centuries.

1951-1953

San Antonio River is straightened from McCullough to A Street. A tainter gate is installed in the bypass channel.

1954

Congress authorizes the San Antonio Channel Improvement Project to provide flood protection for 31 miles of river and 4 tributaries in San Antonio.

1956

Bob Frazer, Director of Parks and Recreation since September, 1955, establishes a small botanic garden on the River Walk with philodendron, banana plants and palms. Custodian Gentry Taylor and 3 staffers maintain the park.

1957

Park rangers, organized in 1955, are placed on river.

1959

David Straus forms the Tourist Attraction Committee under the auspices of the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce to look at economic development of the river walk, which is now a city park but dangerous at night. Lang Jeu opens in river level of the Clifford Building.

1960

Open since 1899, the Original Mexican Restaurant at 231 Losoya is closed. New San Juan Dam completed in new flood channel.

1961

Marco Engineering Company of California, major designers of Disneyland, complete a report, funded by the City

and the Chamber, on the commercial potential of the river. The plan suggests that all buildings which backs up to the river be developed in an early Texas or Mexican colonial style, and that as many as possible be rehabilitated to provide basement space that would open at the Riverwalk level to accommodate retail and entertainment facilities. Criticism arises over the carnival-like aspects of the plan, but other elements, like forming a merchants' association and holding frequent festivals are used as a basis for further plan development.

1962

Straus along with Harold Robbins and Jimmy Gause from the Chamber staff visit Carmel, CA, and New Orleans' Vieux Carre Commission to look at their ordinances guiding development. Straus frames an ordinance based on these two documents which establishes a Riverwalk District and a seven member RIverwalk Advisory Commission. Council adopts the ordinance on March 28. The Department of Parks and Recreation completes a major landscape program along two miles of river walkway, including over 17,000 assorted tress, shrubs, vines and ground cover. El Tropicano, the first riverfront hotel, opens. La Sirena at 107 West Commerce opens with a patio at river level. The Three Wives Antique Shop, at a location now part of the Hilton Hotel opens in November.

1963

April 15. The San Antonio Chapter of the American Institute of Architects unveils a plan for the Paseo del Rio. The plan takes the form of drawings, text and a scale model. It includes a land use plan, the basis for a planning district recommendation, and a capital improvements program for public and private development. The Chamber of Commerce creates a staff position to assist the Tourist Attractions staff manager of the Paseo del Rio project. The Landing opens in the basement of the Nix Hospital in April.

1964

San Antonio voters approve \$500,00 bond issue for Paseo del Rio improvements City Council adopts an ordinance regulating signage on river walk. March 17. The Paseo del Rio Association is formed, with a staff person funded by the Chamber of Commerce staff position and the money used to pay a PR person to write the weekly Rio Ramblings for the Express-News.

1965

The San Juan Dam is extended so water can get into the San Juan Ditch.

1966

La Paloma del Rio opens at 215 South Broadway (Losoya). The Billboard Theater opens at street level of 231 S. Broadway over Venice Restaurant which opened the year before. The first Conservation Society-sponsored Las Posadas is held on the streets of San Antonio using the Courthouse, the Navarro House and the Spanish Governor's Palace.

1968

March. Hilton Palacio Del Rio opens. Hotel La Posada opens in the old St. Mary's Law School on College St. April-October, HemisFair '68. Construction is completed on the river extension and the convention center complex. August 12. Kangaroo Court opens. The Little Rhein opens in a San Antonio Conservation property. December. First Fiesta de las Lumlnarlas held. The bypass channel is modified.

1969

The first Paseo del Rio Assn. Great Country River Festival. The Stockman Restaurant at 409 E. Commerce opened. Espada Dam is reconstructed.

1970

Voters approve a bond issue for Riverwalk beautification and flood gate revamping. La Posada reopens as La Mansion del Rio. An addition to the hotel is completed in December 1979.

1971

The Corps of Engineers complete river improvements from Alamo to Johnson Street. The Fort Worth District and the San Antonio River Authority are given a Corps Award of Merit for general, landscape development design. The San Juan-Espada Ditch relocation project is completed. The Fiesta de las Luminarias and Las Posadas are combined for a riverwalk presentation.

1973

The River Corridor Feasibility Study is completed, in a joint effort of six local government entities. The "River

Corridor Plan' provides a long-term framework for development decisions along the river.

1974

Flood gate 5 is relocated further down the bypass channel and flood gate 4, constructed to allow for circular boat traffic on the river bend and bypass.

1975

The Southwest Craft Center opens on the site of the old Ursuline Convent in buildings that have been bought and restored by the Conservation Society.

1976

The San Antonio River Authority moves its offices to a new site on the river opposite the Steves Homestead.

1977

September. San Juan Dam falls.

1978

November 11. Robert H.H. Hugman is honored at a ceremony inaugurating the Hugman bells at the Arneson River Theater.

1979

A new Marriott Hotel opens on the river extension, next to the Marina Garage. The Casino Building, the Riverside Hotel and the Losoya Building are refurbished as new rental apartments using special federal monies for rehabbing the second to top floors.

1981

In May, the Espada Aqueduct/Pledtas Creek Bypass project is completed. The Hyatt Regency Hotel and the Paseo del Alamo are opened, linking the River Walk and Alamo Plaza. The first Holiday River-Parade is held.

1983

Club Giraud opens at the Southwest Craft Center. The Johnson Street pedestrian bridge is opened. San Antonio Missions National Historical Park established in February.

1984

River channel improvements are completed from Alamo to Arsenal Streets. 1985 Channel Improvements are begun from Arsenal to Durango.

1987

Holiday Inn Riverwalk is completed. The Nueva Street Dam, Bridge and Marina are completed. San Antonio tunnel project begun. Tunnel will carry storm waters from Josephine Street south of US 281, 150 ft. underground and return them to the river channel at Lone Star Blvd. Project to be completed in 1995

1988

Channel Improvements are completed from Commerce to Houston Street incorporating Hugman's details. The Hugman wall across from La Mansion and below the Aztec is completed. Rivercenter opens on an extension of the river extension. The Mall opens in February, Dillard's in May and Marriott Rivercenter in October. The Original Mexican Restaurant opens at 528 River Walk.

1990

The first Carnaval del Rlo is held.

1992

San Antonio River Authority begins repairs and drainage work on Asylum Creek and San Juan Ditch. Water to flow again in the ditch when completed in 1994.

1993

Eckert's Drugstore opens in Noah Spears/Flo Kampmann Atherton Crichton Building 1994

Work completed for San Juan Ditch project. Pumps now able to put water in ditch.

1995

Southbank project between Presa, Crockett, Navarro, and river opens. Newly constructed buildings designed to fit in with existing architecture of San Antonio. Tenants are Country Line, Fat Tuesday, Hard Rock Café, Peasano's, Starbuck's, and Howl at the Moon.

1996

Presidio Plaza between Crockett, Navarro, Commerce and river opens with Planet Hollywood, the Edge, The Presidio and Dos Chihuahuas.

1997

January - Homewood Suites opens in old San Antonio Drug Company building.

April - Havana Riverwalk Inn on Navarro opens.

August - Adams Mark opens in 1950's National Bank of Commerce Building on river.

December - San Antonio Tunnel project dedicated.

1998

September 10 - International Center opens, a conversation of old Main Library on S. St. Mary's.

October 16-17 - a 20" rain flooded many areas in San Antonio, particularly on the Salado and Leon Creeks. The tunnel worked beautifully in saving downtown San Antonio.

November - Bexar County and the city of San Antonio formally inaugurate the San Antonio River Oversight Committee to oversee the further development of the river from US 218 to Mission Espada. The Hawthorne Suites open on N. St. Mary's.

1999

May - Drury Inn opens in old Petroleum Commerce building on N. St. Mary's; Mexican Manhattan on Soledad opens riverfront patio overlooking flood channel river walk.

2000

Westin Hotel opens on site surrounded by S. St Mary's, Market, Navarro and river.

2001

September - Civic Center Plaza at the corner of Main Plaza and commerce dedicated.

November - Landry's opens in the location of Bayou's in the riverside building.

December - River Walk from Presidio Plaza to N. St. Mary's on Crockett Street side dedicated.

2002

River improvements take place from Convent to Lexington and from Houston to Convent dedicated.

2003

Hotel Valencia opens at Houston, St. Mary's & River in January.

2004

The Water Mark Hotel and Spa opens across from the La Mansion Del Rio.

2005

First PDRA Mardi Gras Night Parade.

Would you like to know more? Visit http://www.thesanantonioriverwalk.com/RiverWalkHistory/History4.asp

